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SUBJECT: BELGIAN CUSTOMS AND THE APO

REF: BRUSSELS 5258

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED LETTER DATED SEPTEMBER 24 FROM
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DIRECTOR GENERAL C. GOOSSENS, ADMINISTRATION FOR CUSTOMS

AND EXCISES, MINISTRY OF FINANCE, ADDRESSED TO FIRST SECRETARY AND REFERENCING LATTER'S LETTER OF SEPTEMBER 6 (TEXT IN BRUSSELS 4977). FOLLOWING IS TRANSLATION FROM FRENCH TEXT: " I HAVE THE HONOR TO INFORM YOU THAT IN VIEW OF THE UNDERTAKING ON THE AMERICAN SIDE TO OBSERVE THE ARRANGEMENTS CONSTITUTING THE SUBJECT OF THE NOTE ANNEXED TO THE DECISION OF MAY 21, 1973, NUMBER D.L. 1/28.669, INSTRUCTIONS HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO THE INTERESTED CUSTOMS SERVICES IN ORDER THAT PACKAGES AND OTHER MAIL DESTINED FOR MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN FORCES STATIONED IN BELGIUM OR SENT BY THEM MAY BENEFIT FROM THE GREATEST PLIANCY (DES PLUS GRANDES FACILITES) IN THE MATTER OF CONTROL. OF COURSE, IN THE EVENT THAT CONTENTIOUS CASES WERE CALLED TO MY ATTENTION, I WOULD PERMIT MYSELF TO CALL THEM TO YOUR ATTENTION."

2. WE BELIEVE THAT THIS LETTER AND OURS OF SETPEMBER 6 CLEAR THE WAY FOR FULL US COOPERATION AT THE LOCAL APO LEVEL ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BELGIAN DIRECTIVE OF MAY 21, 1973.
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